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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before line 1, insert

--This application is a 371 of PCT FR99/00680 filed March  
23, 1999.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, cancel "or claim 2"

Claim 4, line 1, cancel "any one of the claims 1 to 3" and